

**MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION  
STANDING COMMITTEE**  
Wednesday, February 24, 2010  
Room 445, State Capitol Building

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Gregory H. Hughes, Chair  
Rep. Kenneth W. Sumsion, Vice Chair  
Rep. Johnny Anderson  
Rep. Laura Black  
Rep. Brad L. Dee  
Rep. Rebecca Edwards  
Rep. Craig A. Frank  
Rep. Don L. Ipson  
Rep. Bradley G. Last  
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Merlynn T. Newbold  
Rep. Marie H. Poulson  
Rep. Kraig Powell  
Rep. Mark A. Wheatley  
Rep. Carl Wimmer

**STAFF PRESENT:** Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst  
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

**Note:** List of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Chair Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

**MOTION:** Rep. Black moved to approve the minutes of February 22, 2010. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Dee, Rep. Edwards, Rep. Last and Rep. Newbold were absent for the vote.

**H.B. 292      Equalization of Funding for Divided School Districts (*Rep. J. Bird*)**

Rep. Bird introduced the bill which provides for equalization of property tax revenues when a school district division takes place. Dr. Barry Newbold, Superintendent, Jordan School District; Burke Jolley, Business Manager, Jordan School District; President Waddoups; and McKell Withers, Superintendent, Salt Lake City School District, assisted Rep. Bird in presenting the bill.

**MOTION:** Rep. Newbold moved to amend the bill as follows:

*1. Page 2, Lines 52 through 53:*

52        ~~[(a)]~~ (e) "Qualifying divided school district" means a divided school  
              ~~{+} district[ {+} +(i)]~~  
53        ~~located within a county of the second through sixth class; and (ii)]~~ with a new school  
              district

2. *Page 2, Line 58 through Page 3, Line 60:*

58        (g) "Receiving divided school district" is as defined in Section 59-2-924.4.  
              **(h) "Total equalized property tax revenues" means the equalized property**  
              **tax revenues per enrolled student multiplied by the total enrollment within the**  
              **qualifying divided school district, as of the October 1 counts in the preceding**  
              **calendar year.**  
59        (2) When a new school district is created pursuant to Section 53A-2-118.1, the state  
60        superintendent shall:

The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Dee was absent for the vote.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Dr. David Doty, Superintendent, Canyons School District (CSD)  
Tracy Scott Cowdell, Canyons School District Board  
Kim Horiuchi, Canyons School District Board  
Keith Bradford, Business Manager, Canyons School District  
JoAnn Seghini, Mayor, Midvale City  
Darrell Smith, grandparent  
Kim Abbott, chair, school community group  
Maria Requeva, Midvale Elementary employee  
Nicolle Bangerter, parent, CSD  
Wendy Barlow, parent, CSD  
Todd Hall, parent, CSD  
Gary Harmer, CSD  
Keith Homer, parent and educator  
Bart Barker, parent, CSD  
Lisa Johnson, Canyons Enrollment and Facilities Task Force  
Tracy Bennett, Canyons Enrollment and Facilities Task Force  
Jaime Argyle, parent, CSD  
Jason Burningham, municipal advisory firm  
Scott Bracken, parent, CSD  
Suzanne Walker, PTA President, Midvale Elementary  
Kelly Myers, parent, CSD

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Jolynne Alger, parent  
Ronda Rose, West Jordan citizens committee  
Robin Frodge, President, Jordan Education Association  
Donna Froerer, parent, Jordan School District (JSD)  
Meredith Llewellyn, parent, JSD  
Katelyn Whitaker, student, JSD  
Zakia Richardson, parent, JSD  
Lisa Leonard, parent, JSD  
Darin Leonard, parent, JSD  
Becky Lewis, parent, JSD  
Alisha Huefner, parent, JSD  
Jessica Harris, parent, JSD  
Adam Milner, parent, JSD  
Brian Foisy, City of West Jordan  
Kathie Johnson, South Jordan City Council  
Jodi Wilkey, parent, JSD  
Clay Christensen, South Jordan resident

**MOTION:** Rep. Wimmer moved to pass H.B. 292 out with a favorable recommendation. The motion failed with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Newbold, and Rep. Wimmer voting in favor of the motion. Rep. Powell was absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ipson moved to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Rep. Powell was absent for the vote.

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Rep. Gregory H. Hughes, Chair